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In re Patent Application of) Art Unit: 2812
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Serial No. 10/072,931)
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For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING) Date: October 30, 2002
A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE)
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PATENT WILL ISSUE NOVEMBER 12, 2002

PETITION TO WITHDRAW FROM ISSUE UNDER 37 CFR §1.313

Honorable Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition that the subject application be withdrawn from issue to permit consideration of an Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 (submitted herewith), Preliminary Amendment (submitted herewith) and a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) (also submitted herewith).

Also submitted herewith is the requisite fee of \$130.00 set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i).

In view of the foregoing, it is urged that this petition is in order and, accordingly, a prompt grant thereof is requested.

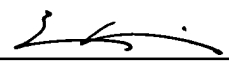
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be further required in this application, except the issue fee, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2280, under the above order number. A duplicate of this sheet is attached.

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